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Mira Costa Surprised by Bishop, 7-0

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Memories Of Rams

As the Los Angeles Rams approached their 1968 season this afternoon, fans who follow trends have more than usual interest in the outcome.

The home opener against the Pittsburgh Steelers at the Coliseum during the 22 seasons the Rams have been in Los Angeles they have won their division or conference title five times, and in four of those races they captured their home opener. Going into the 1968 campaign as one of the favorites to make it to the NFL crown and the Super Bowl (and already a step on the road following their 24-13 victory over the Cardinals in St. Louis Monday night) the Rams have it in mind this week-end—plus recollections of some memorable moments in past home openers.

Perhaps the most memorable was against this week's opponent, the Steelers, in their only previous appearance in a home opener back in 1955. The Rams, under new coach Sid Gillman, parlayed a hair-raising win into a Western Conference title.

They held a 17-0 margin at halftime, largely through passes from Norm Van Brocklin to end Bob Boyd—one a 74-yard touchdown. The Steelers came to life with two touchdowns in the third period, then another at the beginning of the final quarter. But two of the three conversions were missed, one hitting the crossbar, and these errors were to prove fatal for Pitt.

Van Brocklin passed to Tom Fears for another TD that put the Rams back in front, 24-19, but they lost the lead when a rookie halfback fumbled a punt and Steeler Richie McCabe picked it up and ran 50 yards to score.

Down two points and time running out, Van passed to Boyd on the Steeler 40, a Pitt penalty set the visitors back to their 25, and at the tick of the final second, as the limp and exhausted crowd waited in dead silence, Les Richter kicked a 33-yard field goal to win, 27-26.

A decade later (1965) the Rams produced a home opener with Chicago that was just as breath-taking. By the fourth quarter the Bears had built up a 28-9 margin. Then quarterback Bill Munson whipped his Rams to life. Working the ball downfield he sneaker over for one touchdown, passed short to Tommy McDonald at the end of a series of completions to score again, and with time slipping away began still a third drive, alternating aeri-als to McDonald and Terry Baker.

With 44 seconds left he threw five yards to McDonald in the end zone, but the Rams were penalized for illegal procedure. He tried again to Marlin McKeever in the same area, but the ball fell short.

As the clock showed just 34 seconds remaining, Baker twisted free in one corner of the end zone and Munson found him with a 10-yarder that Terry grabbed while falling. The Rams had pulled it out, 30-28.

Lakers Welcome Chamberlain

The Lakers' select quartet got together Friday at Loyola for the start of practice.

Coach Bill van Breda Kolff and his stars, Elgin Baylor, Jerry West and Wilt Chamberlain are expected to bring the National Basketball Assn. title to Los Angeles.

A good indication that Van Breda Kolff's charges are dedicated toward that goal came when the players asked for twice-a-day workouts instead of the one the coach originally planned.

The real test will come later, but it appears that Baylor, West and Chamberlain have already formed a mutual admiration society. Chamberlain appeared to be completely at ease as he participated in his first workouts as a Laker.

The players asked for the double workouts because they have only eight days to get ready for their first exhibition game Sept. 28 at San Francisco.

Chamberlain will make his Forum debut as a Laker on Sept. 30 when the Lakers play the San Francisco Warriors in the second half of a double-header which opens with Seattle meeting San Diego.

Dodgers Name Staff for '69

The Los Angeles Dodgers made the expected announcement Friday that Walter Alston would return as manager next season.

General Manager Fresco Thompson, recuperating from kidney surgery in St. Jude Hospital in Fullerton, announced the quiet man from Ohio would manage the Dodgers for his 16th campaign.

Coaches Lefty Phillips, Danny Ozark and Jim Gilliam will also be retained. Red Adams, who has been a scout for several years for the Dodgers, has been named to fill the vacancy created by the departure of Preston Gomez, who will manage San Diego.

Phillips becomes Alston's right-hand man in the dugout and Adams will become the pitching coach. Dixie Walker, a former Brooklyn Dodger favorite who has been a scout for the Atlanta Braves, will become batting instructor for the Dodger organization. Walker replaces Duke Snider, who also joined San Diego. Carroll Beringer will continue as Dodger batting practice pitcher.

Alston never had clubs finish in the second division in successive seasons until this year.

Juan Marichal Wins No. 26

Right-hander Juan Marichal became the first Giant pitcher in 32 years to win 26 games in a season Friday night as he pitched San Francisco to an 8-1 victory over Atlanta.

Marichal equaled the victory total of Carl Hubbell in 1936 as he stopped the Braves on five hits. It was a personal victory high for Marichal who ran his season record to 26-8. Twice previously, in 1963 and 1966, Marichal had won 25 games.

He had a shutout until the ninth when three singles gave Atlanta its lone run.

Collins Scores On Run

For the third straight year Bishop Montgomery handed Mira Costa a sound defeat in their non-league football opener.

The outstanding prep game of the first week of the season saw Montgomery score the only touchdown in the final two minutes and 34 seconds as Quarterback Greg Collins ran 9 yards into the end zone.

Dennis Haren, who only Thursday got a doctor's release to play in the game, kicked the extra point for a 7-0 victory at Costa.

The winning Knights "simply" disrupted the heralded passing game of Pat Moore of the Mustangs.

Although Pat completed 18 of 27 passes for 184 yards, he had two intercepted. His team was also held during a first-and-two situation in a third quarter goal line stand.

Together with the 22 times he ran with the ball, Moore handled 49 of 60 offensive plays for Mira Costa. The total offense was 240 for Montgomery to 248 for Mira Costa, but pass interceptions by Greg Reams and Collins stand out.

Coach George Swade could not say enough about Reams and Collins after the game. Both boys went both ways on offensive and defense. Reams caught three of Collins' 10 completions for 39 yards.

Collins mixed his attack to move the Knights from Mira Costa 40 to eventually score late in the game. Collins went nine yards on a rollout power play for his touchdown. He completed 10 of 21 passes for 113 yards. Fullback Ed Hansen carried 17 times for 71 yards.

In explaining the upset victory, Coach Swade said, "I know one thing, our kids really wanted to win."

Montgomery plays at South High next Friday night.

Torrance Bows to Redondo

Football frustrations are again in the mind of Football Coach Harold Warfle of Torrance High School.

His Tartars were buffaloed by Redondo, 7-0, Friday night, in a game that seemed to belong to Torrance all the way.

But a sustained drive of 83 yards ended in an early fourth quarter touchdown for the Seahawks' winning six points. Sophomore Rudy Echavarria ran 32 yards with a pitchout for the only TD in the 21st renewal of the traditional between the two schools.

Quarterback Kim Brooks had some idea of his pass receivers for Torrance as he completed 10 of 31 passes for 104 yards, but Kim was outdone by Echavarria who carried 23 times for 120 yards for Redondo.

A year ago Redondo scored its only victory of the year with a 19-18 conquest of Torrance on practically the last play of the game.

What made Friday's game equally frustrating for Coach Warfle and his varsity is they reached the Redondo goal line four times, once in each quarter. In the final minutes Torrance reached the Redondo 7 yard line, but a grounded pass penalty backed the Tartars to the 19 yard line and they ran out of downs.

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 Mira Costa 7 0 0 0 - 0
 Montgomery TD — Collins (9 yd. run), PAT — Haren (kick).



NICE TRY . . . Making a leap to catch a pass near the sideline is Ron Henderson of North High. Covering him are Bob Trythall (10) and Rick Krivanek (13) of Morningside. North failed to muster much of

a game on offense and had little class on defense and was blanked, 38-0, on opening night of the prep football campaign.

(Press-Herald Photo)

South Edges Marina, 7-0

With a 7-6 victory in the bag, Coach Herb Richey of South High said, "Luck of the Good Lord was on our side!"

But South High's narrow win over Marina could also be credited to a determined effort by the Spartan defense which constantly con-

quered the opposing offense and iced the game when Dan Carlson intercepted a pass in the final two minutes.

A pass interception and a 43 yard runback in the first quarter by End Rob Andrews gave South the only touchdown it needed for the

triumph. Of course, Bruce Johnson's place kick for the extra point was the clincher.

South led 7-0 until the final three minutes of the game when Mike Ragland's punt was blocked and Vince Moll carried it five yards into the end zone for Marina's only score.

A muffed pass from center on the place kick ruined Marina's conversion try.

South's only offensive threat of the game was in the third quarter. The Spartans got inside the 1 yard line, but had to retreat and gave up the ball.

Coach Richey of the Spartans could not have been more pleased with the defense. He started to name all the heroes. After he got

Steve Robertson's name out, he interrupted, "Lookit, I have to just about list everybody. It was simply a great team effort."

A year ago, in spite of a sensational kick return by Jeff Wang, South lost to Marina by a 20-6 score.

The coaching staff said before the game Friday that a victory over Marina would be important as far as building confidence in the Spartans.

The team has its second non-league test at home next Friday against Bishop Montgomery which upset Mira Costa, 7-0.

West Wins 22-0 Opener

Touchdown runs of 24, 40 and 5 yards carried West High to a 22-0 victory over LaPuente in the first of two non-league football games for the Warriors this fall.

The game Friday night was at West High.

After 50 yards in penalties broke up three drives by West early in the game, the Warriors finally marched 99 yards for a second quarter touchdown.

West got possession of the ball after Randy Carter recovered a fumble on the 1

yard line. On offense Quarterback Coy Hall connected with a 60 yard pass to Gary Kendrick. The TD came on a 24 yard run by Halfback Dean Owens.

In the third period West went 56 yards to score. A 40-yard burst to the goal line by Gary Hulsey was the payoff.

Following a safety for two points, LaPuente free kicked to West and again the Warriors went 56 yards with Owens scoring from the 5 yard line.

Paul Johnson, who converted twice on place kicks, was out of the defensive lineup at tackle for the whole game and according to Coach Fred Peterson was missed. Paul is recovering from a minor injury.

Defensive ends Mel Floyd, a junior, and Chuck Farrah were outstanding for the Warriors. It was Floyd's first varsity game.

Offensive line stalwarts were Jim Yates and Jim Stroffe.

Quarterback Hall completed 5 of 6 for 112 yards. He ran for 44 yards.

Hulsey (128 yards) and Owens (74 yards) both carried 12 times. Kendrick caught four passes for 92 yards.

Total yardage was 364 to 123 for West. LaPuente completed two passes for seven yards.

Coach Peterson's prize sophomore Paul Smith was called on to punt only once in the game — a boom of 51 yards.

West will be host to Fernin next Friday. Lasuen defeated La Jolla in its opener, 44-25.



RICK FRANCIS . . . The former North High lineman is one of two freshmen football players named to the starting offensive team at El Camino College. He started at a guard position against Laney College yesterday in Oakland.

West 22 0 0 0 - 22
 LaPuente 0 0 0 0 - 0
 West TDs—Owens (40 and 5 yd. runs), Hulsey (24 yr. run); PATs—Johnson 2 (kicks).

Football Results

Rolling Hills 34, El Segundo 6.
 Culver City 9, Beverly Hills 6.
 Inglewood 14, Leuzinger 6.
 Lasuen 44, La Jolla 25.
 Valley Christian 26, Lennox 13.
 Hawthorne 0, Kennedy 0.
 St. Monica 20, St. Genevieve 0.
 Lawndale 26, Bassett 6.
 Serra 12, Pius X 12.
 Mt. Carmel 26, Bellflower 6.
 Palos Verdes 27, Aviation 0.

Saxons Topped By 38-0

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Already feeble by the onslaught of a 38-0 loss to Morningside, the North High Saxons are doomed as a lackluster football team this season.

For North to rebound from its 6-touchdown assault by the Monarchs is a tough uphill climb.

The Saxons had only one sustained drive against Morningside. The offense lacked polish. There was not much passing and the team does not have a superior running game.

Some of Morningside's flashiest runs in the game had something to do with poor tackling, too.

This is not the type of football North fans have been accustomed to during the decade. North just happens to be the defending Bay League champion. But fans will have to be patient as Coach Ed Levy goes through the timely chore of rebuilding his forces.

North has only Torrance remaining on its schedule next Friday before running into an avalanche of Bay League dogfighters.

Morningside was rather foxy against North. The Monarchs started the game with a successful inside kick. Mike Harris ran 28 yards and Quarterback Bob Trythall scored from the 9. It looked easy.

North's only advance of the game ensued. The Saxons drove to the opponent's 12, but a pass interception by Morningside's Rick Krivanek in the end zone solved the issue.

Harris later scored again on a 28-yard run for the Monarchs.

After a second quarter punt by North, Morningside drove for another TD with Trythall passing to Tony Marshall from the 9.

The third quarter saw Morningside explode with three booming touchdowns as Eugene Wade ran 58 yards. Trythall passed to Everette Garmon for 12 yards, and Wade streaked up the middle for 77 yards.

The fourth quarter had little excitement for either side. Neither team scored.

Morningside 12 7 19 0 - 38
 North 0 0 0 0 - 0
 Morningside TDs — Trythall (9 yd. run), Harris (28 and 28 yd. runs), Marshall (9 yd. pass from Trythall), Wade 58 and 77 yd. runs), Garmon (12 yd. pass from Trythall). PATs — Trythall 2 (kicks).

West Bees Triumph, 29-0

Craig Kelly scored three touchdowns on runs of 9, 5 and 75 yards and ran for 166 yards during half the game as the West High Bees blanked LaPuente, 29-0, in a non-league game Friday.

West 29 0 0 0 - 29
 LaPuente 0 0 0 0 - 0
 West TDs — Kelly 3 (9, 5 and 75 yd. runs), Uriyu (6 yd. run), Pat — F. J. (punt), safety — Jefferson (tackle runner in end zone, automatic).

SOUTH CEES WIN, 13-6
 The Class C football team at South High defeated Marina, 13-6, in a non-league football game Thursday.



Best Tip on Betting Is Don't Rely on Tips

The only sound tip to be had on a race is the one the patron leaves for the waiter at lunch. A "tip" on a horse is an exciting but frequently dangerous thing to have. Because it comes "from the horse's mouth," one is apt to be over confident. If one were to trace most tips to their source it would probably be found that an owner, trainer or jockey had said "I think I have a good chance in this race," which, as it was passed on (and nothing spreads faster than a tip), gained in translation and wound up as, "The trainer says it's only a question of how far he'll win by."

However, owners and trainers are frequently that confident. R. E. Leightner, a West Coast racing of-

ficial, recalls a young trainer at Ak-Sar-Ben, Omaha one season who bet \$1,000 on his horse and told his friends he was a cinch. The horse finished dead last, but happened to have been in the mutual "field" and another field horse won. Horses in the mutual field are similar to an entry and a bet on one is a bet on all.

At Bowie earlier this year, a trainer decided he didn't have a chance and sought to scratch his horse and place him in what appeared would be an easier race a few days later. The track stewards refused him permission to withdraw and, much to the embarrassment of the trainer, the horse he thought was in "over his head" went out and won the race.